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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: KANAYAMA et al.

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For:

SLIDING BEARING FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 - EXPEDITED RESPONSE GROUP ART UNIT 1775

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

